Exhibit A

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION,

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Substantively Consolidated SIPA Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC and the Chapter 7 Estate of Bernard L. Madoff,

Plaintiff,

v.

STANDARD CHARTERED FINANCIAL SERVICES (LUXEMBOURG) S.A. (f/k/a AMERICAN EXPRESS FINANCIAL SERVICES (LUXEMBOURG) S.A. and f/k/a AMERICAN EXPRESS BANK (LUXEMBOURG) S.A.), as represented by its Liquidator HANSPETER KRÄMER, HANSPETER KRÄMER, in his capacities as liquidator and representative of STANDARD CHARTERED FINANCIAL SERVICES (LUXEMBOURG) S.A., STANDARD CHARTERED BANK INTERNATIONAL (AMERICAS) LTD., f/k/a AMERICAN EXPRESS BANK INTERNATIONAL, and STANDARD CHARTERED HOLDINGS INC. (as successor in interest to STANDARD CHARTERED INTERNATIONAL (USA) LTD., f/k/a AMERICAN EXPRESS BANK LTD.),

Defendants.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (CGM)

SIPA LIQUIDATION

(Substantively Consolidated)

Adv. Pro. No. 12-01565 (CGM)

ORDER DENYING DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS THE AMENDED COMPLAINT

Defendants Standard Chartered Financial Services (Luxembourg) S.A. (f/k/a American Express Financial Services (Luxembourg) S.A. and before that, American Express Bank (Luxembourg) S.A.); Standard Chartered Bank International (Americas) Ltd. (f/k/a American Express Bank International); and Standard Chartered Holdings Inc. (as successor to Standard Chartered International (USA) Ltd., f/k/a American Express Bank Ltd.) (collectively, "Defendants") filed a motion to dismiss the Amended Complaint under Bankruptcy Rule 7012(b) and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6) (the "Motion") on July 15, 2022. The Motion came on for hearing before the Court on December 14, 2022 (the "Hearing"). The Court has considered the Motion, the papers filed in support of and in opposition to the Motion, the Amended Complaint, and the statements of counsel at the Hearing. The Court issued a memorandum decision, dated January 6, 2023, regarding the Motion (the "Decision"). Based on the record in this adversary proceeding, including the Decision, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. The Motion to dismiss the Amended Complaint is denied.
- The deadline for Defendants to file an answer to the Amended Complaint is March 7, 2023.
- 3. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to implement or enforce this Order.

Dated: January 18, 2023 Poughkeepsie, New York



/s/ Cecelia G. Morris

Hon. Cecelia G. Morris U.S. Bankruptcy Judge